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By the acting Governor of Virginia

A Proclamation.

Executive Department
Richmond January
October 25th 1781

has through the Same dark Valley and Shadow of death. He will Emulate his virtues, follow his Example and deeply Sympathize with the afflicted Widow and family,

Resolved

That as citizens of Nebraska deeply feel, that in the death of his Excellency, Francis Burt, late Governor of this Territory we suffer a loss unfeigned,

Resolved,

That we feel under lasting obligations to Mr & Mrs Hamilton of the Otoe and Omaha Mission for their kindness to his excellency, during his illness and for their liberal treatment to his friends also, to Mr Anderson for his command addition which made the translation of the minds of our late lamented Governor.

Resolved

That we tender to Col. P. H. Sarpy, on behalf of the friends of the deceased our thanks for the kind attention, and many favors shown his Excellency, during his illness,

Resolved

That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Nebraska Advertiser, Omaha Arrow, and Omaha Nebraskian

(Signed) P. H. Sarpy
President,

L. B. Kinney,
Secretary.

Resolutions passed at Senate Chamber,

Whereas

Colonel Broadhead in his late disquisition upon Slavery has asserted, in direct contradiction to well known facts, the existence of Slavery in the Colonies of British North America, and

Resolved

That on the 4th of August the Slaves in the British West Indies were emancipated by the Government, and

Resolved

That on the 1st of August 1838 all the Slaves in the British Colonies will be entirely free, and

Resolved

That the Secretary be instructed to transmit a copy of these resolutions to the Hon. Stephen Pleasonton for publication

Attest, Daniel Dunklee
President.

W. Murphy
Secretary.

(Via Telegraph.)

Baltimore, February 15th 1838.

To Franklin Pierce
President of the United States.

Sir. Mrs.

Burt died this morning at half past three o'clock
His remains will be escorted at once to South Carolina.

Respectfully Yours
Secretary of ...

Nebraska Territory
Omaha, Oct 15th 1854

To his Excellency Franklin Pierce
President of the United States.

Sir:

It becomes my painful duty to announce to you the death of Genl. Francis Burt, of this Territory, which occurred this morning at half past three o'clock. His remains will be immediately conveyed to his home (Pendleton, South Carolina) accompanied by a suitable escort. His disease has been the same as that of other Territorial functionaries of the United States since I have had the same intelligence by Telegraph of this date.

Respectfully Your
Obt. Servt.
A.B. Cumming
Secretary and
Acting Governor.

Escort to the remains of Gen. Burt

Nebraska Territory
Omaha City Oct 15th 1854

To all whom it may concern.

This is to certify that Mrs Barton Green, Col. Hurd & Messrs. James Wright, and N.H. Jones, are hereby appointed an Escort to convey the remains of the late Governor Francis Burt, to his home in Pendleton South Carolina, by the most expeditious conveyance, and in the most suitable terms.

Each of the said escort is to be paid from the Territorial Contingent Fund, Five Dollars per day, and the actual Expenses of travelling, of Territorial Duty, to be paid to Pendleton.

(Signed)

A.B. Cumming
Secretary, and Acting
Governor of Nebraska.

The Census.

By the acting Governor of Nebraska.

A Proclamation.

Executive Department
Nebraska Territory,
October 21st 1854.

The Enumeration of the Inhabitants of the Territory will commence on Tuesday next, October 24th 1854, and the Officers instructed to complete the same in possible within four weeks. Immediately after said Census, Returns will be submitted for the election of the Delegate to Congress, and a Territorial Legislature to Convene this winter.

Said Enumeration in the Districts bordering on the Missouri River will commence on Wednesday the 25th inst. being the Tuesday October 31st and Simultaneously on that day in each of said Districts

The purpose of this notice is to enable persons who are interested temporarily from the Territory, to return in time for said Census, but in no case will Names be inserted, except of actual and permanent residents of the Territory.

Given under my hand at Omaha City, Nebraska Territory on this 21st day of October 1854.

J B Gunning
Acting Gov. of Nebraska

Appointment of Deputy Marshals

The following named persons were appointed to take the census of Nebraska Territory, viz:

District No. 1. Joseph S Sharp.
District " 2. Charles D Smith.
District " 3. Richard Murphy.
District " 4 E K Hayde, Ad Symmes.
District " 5 Thomson M Clark.
District " 6 Charles A Tisdel.

Oath of Joseph S Sharp. 1st District

I Joseph S Sharp, do solemnly swear that I will to the best of my ability enumerate or cause to be enumerated, all the inhabitants of the first district bounded as follows: Viz: by the Little Nemaha River to its head waters, thence northwardly to the dead boundary of lands ceded to the U. S. East by the west boundary of the half breed tract, South to the South boundary of the Territory of Nebraska and West by the East boundary of lands ceded to the U.S. embracing the settlements on the head waters of the Little Nemaha, as appointed for the purpose of enumerating in the Census Returns of Nebraska Territory and will faithfully perform all the duties required by me according to the instructions, and will make due Return thereof,.

Nebraska City, Territory of Nebraska Oct 26th 1854.) Joseph S Sharp

Oath of Charles D Smith 2nd District

I Charles D Smith do solemnly swear that to the best of my ability & skill enumerate or cause to be enumerated, all the inhabitants of the second District, bounded as follows Viz: by the Territory Water Shed to the head waters, thence northwardly to the West boundary of lands ceded to the U S by the Pawnee Tribe, South to the Little Nemaha

Acte d'ancienne Noblesse

L'An mil sept cent [illegible] le [illegible] jour du mois de [illegible] avant midi, pardevant nous [illegible] Conseiller du Roi, Lieutenant Général Civil et Criminel au Bailliage et Siège Présidial de [illegible] Commissaire à ce député par Lettres Patentes de Sa Majesté données à [illegible] le [illegible] jour du présent mois, duement enregistrées, ès Greffe de ce Siège, le [illegible] jour dudit mois, pour procéder à la Réception de Messire [illegible] Chevalier, Seigneur [illegible] Conseiller du Roi en ses Conseils, Président à Mortier en la Cour de Parlement de [illegible] Commandeur de l'Ordre Royal et Militaire de Saint Louis, ancien Capitaine de Cavalerie, Chevalier de l'Ordre Royal et Militaire de Saint Louis, demeurant à [illegible] Paroisse de [illegible] Diocèse de [illegible] Généralité de [illegible] Ressort du Parlement de [illegible] Election de [illegible] Subdélégation de [illegible] Maître [illegible] Chevalier, Seigneur [illegible] Conseiller du Roi en ses Conseils, Président à Mortier en la Cour de Parlement de [illegible] Commandeur de l'Ordre Royal et Militaire de Saint Louis, ancien Capitaine de Cavalerie, Chevalier de l'Ordre Royal et Militaire de Saint Louis, demeurant à [illegible] Paroisse de [illegible] Diocèse de [illegible] Généralité de [illegible] Ressort du Parlement de [illegible] Election de [illegible] Subdélégation de [illegible] Maître [illegible]

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Oath of M. H. Clark 5th District

I M H Clark do solemnly Swear that I will to the best of my ability, Enumerate or cause to be Enumerated all the inhabitants of the 5th district, Situated as follows: Commencing at a point on the Platte River 20 miles West of Bellevue thence Westwardly to the mouth of Shell Creek thence Northwardly to the head waters of the Elk Horn River thence East to the dividing Ridge between the Elkhorn and Papio Creeks thence South to the place of beginning as defined for the purpose of Enumeration to the best of my Skill and ability and will faithfully perform all the duties required upon me according to my instructions and will make due and correct returns thereof.

Omaha City, Nebraska Ter. M. H. Clark.
Nebraska Oct. 25th 1854

Oath of Chas. H. Sims, 6th District

I Chas. H. Sims do Solemnly Swear that I will to the best of my ability Enumerate or cause to be Enumerated all the inhabitants of the 6th District, Situated as follows: Commencing at a point on the Missouri River (bounded as follows) on the West Bank of Horn Creek, thence Northwardly to the head waters of the Elk Horn River, thence along the West and North boundary of Sarpy County to the N E Corner of Sarpy County thence West to the dividing ridge between the Elkhorn and Papio Creeks thence South to the Missouri River, thence along the East bank of said River to the beginning and will faithfully perform all the duties required upon me according to my instructions and will make due and correct returns thereof.

Nebraska Territory
October 25th 1854 Chas. H. Sims.

Executive Department,
Nashville, [illegible]

To

Sir:

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

as to the natural and mineral resources of the Country

Given under my hand at Nebraska City, this 26th of October A.D. 1854.

(Signed) S. B. Cumming
Acting Gov of Nebraska

Abstract of the Census of Nebraska Territory, October 20th 1854

Names of Districts.	White males of 21 yrs & upwards	White males of 16 & upwards	White males under 16	Females of 16 and upwards	Females under 16.	Slaves.	Free Colored persons	Deaf Dumb & Blinds	
X District No 1	236	26	151	190	211	4			
District " 2	155	20	135	137	151	9			
District " 3.	95	16	101	44	91				
District " 4	250	39	128	131	115				
District " 5	74	1	5	13	10				
District " 6	59	7	12	25	21				
	929	109	560	553	599	13.			

In procuring returns of the Number of inhabitants in the district assigned me from the Missouri River East about the mouth of Platte River to the Rivers Elkhorn, Embracing also the half breed tract. I would say that Excluding said tract, and running about forty miles West of it, between the Elkhorn, and a line due West from its head waters, to the 40th parallel of Latitude the whole number of Males would not Exceed one Hundred,

Omaha 20th 1854. (Signed) J. L. Sharp,

Subsequently to this Certificate of Mr Sharp it was ascertained that a considerable number of the inhabitants embraced in his enumeration were Citizens of Kanzas, the 40th parallel having been determined by Surveyor General Calhoun after said returns were made, Others are Citizens of Missouri the Precinct Established by said Sharp, (Belows)

has stuck out to be running of the 5th parallel
Jas Saunders County, and the direction South
said Richardson County, to the place of
and the place to be established as the true point of the house.

Line Running East Seven Miles
to the Corner
Running thence

Then to the Corner of Richardson
& Gage Counties.

South

Running then with the
Established line of said Counties Seven miles to
Falls of Cumanche Co where there for the purpose
River, at the North Corner of Richardson County.
West along the South Line of said County to the
Corner. Thence South Seven miles to the Corner
Gage Counties. Thence with the South line of
Gage County, Seven miles to the Corner of
Said Richardson County, and Corner to the State of
Legislature, and instructed to establish the South line
of the Reservation to where it strikes the Missouri River
Settlements should require. Respectfully begs, that
Ascertaining your Satisfaction, that there
are no Settlers in said County, Unless a few Squatters on
the Missionary of Otoes Indians in Richardson
County, and the nearest Settlement to said South
Precinct, and Settling further than from Said
factory information Richardson County was Seen
given Him than the first Impressions.

Plan of Guinea
that the Ascertainment Should be made for Jones County

Very Respectfully
Mahlon D. Izard, Marshal
By Jesse Sour. Deputy

Apportionment

The following Apportionment of Councilmen and Representatives, was made in accordance with the Census Returns of the Territory of Nebraska of December 20th 1854.

Dixon County,	one Councilman & two Representatives.
Washington County.	one Councilman & two Representatives.
Medora County.	one Councilman & two Representatives
Douglas County.	two Councilmen & three Representatives.
Cass County	one Councilman & three Representatives
Otoe County	three Councilmen & five Representatives
Pierce County	three Councilmen & five Representatives
Richardson County.	one Councilman & two Representatives

Thanksgiving.
A Proclamation.
By the acting Governor of Nebraska.

A time honored and republican Custom, sanctified by Christian Observance, has set apart one day in each year, for the expression of thanks to the Almighty Disposer of Events, by whose kind Providence the favored Country has been so abundantly blessed and Singularly protected.

We inhabitants of the West hereby so gladly added to the Republic, must needs unite with this fellow Countrymen, in thanksgiving to Almighty God for the continued existence and progress of the federal Union; for the blessings of peace, in a period of distressing wars; for preservation from Pestilence and famine; for the Spread of Christianity and Education; for the accession of an immense and fruitful territory; for the steady advance of free principles, & the success and Supremacy of our Constitutional Self government,

Wisely

Commend that our humble acknowledgements as individuals and as a people, are due at all times, to our Beneficent Creator, upon Whom we all are dependent & in Conformity with the Wishes of many good Citizens, I James D Cumming acting Governor of Nebraska, do hereby designate, Thursday the 30th of November as a day of Thanksgiving and Do Command that on that day, the people of this Territory may be in Mind to Commend, God, for his past mercies & blessings & beseech Him for a Continuance of his protecting favor.

Given under my hand at Bellevue, Nebraska Territory this 13th day of November A.D. 1854, and of the Territory the first

(Signed) J. D. Cumming
acting Gov of Nebraska

Division of Territory into Counties, and boundaries of the same.

Bent County.

Said Bent County is bounded as follows: Commencing at a point on the Missouri River, ten miles above Fort Calhoun, thence Westwardly (crossing the Elk Horn River) 120 miles, to the West boundary of lands ceded to the United States, thence Northerly to Warrens River and along the East bank of the same, to the Eau Qui Court, or running Creek, thence Easterly to the Nemaha River, and along the South bank of it, to its mouth and thence Southerly along the Missouri River to the place of beginning.

Precincts.

There shall be ten precincts or places of voting in said County, to be called in Tehama, Precinct, at the house of one John D. Atkinson, in the second Precinct, at the Blackbird House, Atkinson, in the third Precinct, at the house of Frederick Bruck, in Sarpy, and there shall be judges of election, in the second Election Precinct, and Sarpy Bruce and Peter Sarpy judges of said precinct.

Washington County,

Said Washington County is bounded as follows: Commencing at a point on the Missouri River, one mile North of Omaha City, thence due West to the dividing ridge between the Elk Horn & Missouri Rivers, thence North Westwardly, parallel to the Elk Horn River, thence Eastwardly to a point on the Missouri River ten miles below Fort Calhoun, & thence Southerly along Said River to the place of beginning.

Precincts

There shall be one Precinct or place of voting in said Washington County, viz. at the Post Office in Florence,

Cass County

Said Cass County is bounded as follows; North by the Platte River, East by the Missouri, South by the Nesharney River, to its head waters, thence Westwardly to the West boundary of lands ceded to the United States, thence West by said boundary North to the Platte River.

Precincts.

There shall be two precincts or places of voting in said County, one at the house of Samuel Murdie, in Murdies precinct, and one at the house of Lee Thompson in Kanesha precinct, A. S. Griffith, J. B. Sheets & J. Young, shall be Judges of election in the Kanesha precinct & B. B. Thompson, & W. H. Lewis, Clerks of the same, James C. Lee, Jno. G. Palmer & Stephen Wells shall be Judges of Election in Murdies precinct & J. S. Hughes & Wm. G. Reed Clerks of the same

Pierce County.

Said Pierce County is bounded as follows, Commencing at the mouth of the Nishnebotna River on the Missouri River, thence Northwardly along the South bank of the same to its head waters, thence due West to the West boundary of lands ceded to the United States (or Indian,) thence South twenty miles to the North line of Harney County thence due East along the North line of said Harney County, to Camp Creek, and along the South bank of said Creek to the Missouri River, and thence Northwardly along said River to the place of beginning.

Precincts

There shall be one precinct or place of voting, in said Pierce County viz; at the house of Thos. H. P. Downs, William C. Hawkins Simpson Harrison, and Henry Shackelford shall be Judges of said Election & Samuel H. Curtis & Jas. H. Lockhart Clerks of the same,

Beginning at the mouth of Camp Creek, thence to the head waters of the same, thence due west to the Ridge which divides the waters of Ararat River from the waters of Fisher River, thence with the Ridge to the Gap where the Virginia line crosses the Ridge, thence with the Virginia line to the beginning.

Beaufort.

Beginning at the mouth of Pantego Creek, thence up the said Creek to the Head thereof, thence a direct course to the Head of Swift Creek, thence down the said Creek to the mouth thereof, thence down Pamlico River to the beginning.

Bertie County.

Beginning at the mouth of Cashie River, thence up the said River to the mouth of Colerain Creek, thence up the said Creek to the Head thereof, thence a direct course to the Head of Indian Woods, thence down the said Woods to the Head of Salmon Creek, thence down the said Creek to the mouth thereof, thence down Salmon Creek to the mouth thereof, thence down Roanoke River to the beginning.

Pasquotank.

Beginning at the mouth of Perquimans River, thence up the said River to the mouth of Little River, thence up the said River to the Head thereof, thence a direct course to the Head of Pasquotank River, thence down the said River to the beginning.

Rules & Instructions regulating Elections.

By the Acting Governor of Nebraska

Executive Department
Territory of Nebraska
November 21st 1854

Rules for Conducting the Elections in Nebraska Territory, December 12th 1854.

1st. A Poll Shall be opened at the designated place of Election in each Precinct,

2d. There Shall be three Judges of Election and two Clerks, each of which Shall take the following oath, "I ... do Solemnly Swear that I will, impartially, and to the best of my ability discharge the duties of (Judge or Clerk,) — of this Election and will studiously endeavor to prevent frauds deceit, and abuse in conducting the same,

3d. One of the Clerks Shall administer the oath to each of the other Officers, and thereafter, any one of the Judges may administer the same & the said Clerk, and each of said oaths Shall be subscribed in the Poll Books, Subscribed by the person taking it, and Certified by the Officer administering it

4th. The polls Shall be opened at nine o'clock in the Morning and kept open until 6 o'clock in the afternoon, or if deemed necessary, in the opinion of the Judges, until nine o'clock in the Evening, Proclamation thereof Shall be made at or before the opening of the polls, & half an hour before closing them,

5th. The Judges Shall provide a Box, or other Suitable means, for taking the Votes, and Shall keep them Closed while the balloting is Continued,

6th. In voting the Electors Shall deliver their ballots to one of the Judges, who Shall deposit them in the Ballot Box, and no person is Entitled to Vote Except at the precinct where he Resides at the time of voting.

7th. Any Vote may be Challenged,

as disqualified by either of the Judges or by any person who is an Elector in the District, it shall be the duty of the Judges to challenge any person whom they know or suspect not to be duly qualified.

8th. When any vote shall be challenged on either of the following Oath, he shall be sworn. You do solemnly swear that you are a Citizen of the United States that you are of the age of twenty one years that you have resided in this District for ten days immediately preceding this election, and that you verily believe that you are entitled to vote at this election according to the Laws of the State of Indiana.

9th. The Clerks of election shall each keep a poll book in which shall be entered the name of every person who shall vote at such election, and the Judges shall each keep a tally list of the votes given at such election.

10th. The Returns of every election in this District shall be certified by the Judges and Clerks of the election, and the Returns so certified shall be directed to the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Delaware County, and shall be delivered or transmitted by mail or otherwise by the Judges or one of them to the Clerk of said County as soon as practicable after the election.

11th. The Judges of election shall be allowed two dollars each for their services, to be paid out of the County Treasury of Delaware, on the order of the Board of County Commissioners of said County, and the Clerks of election shall each be allowed the same compensation for their services, to be paid in the same manner. [illegible] of the Judges of Election.

12th. When the result of the election is ascertained the Judges shall return all the ballots to be preserved until after the Meeting of the Legislature.

13th. Any of the foregoing Sections, and returns of such persons shall be void forthwith, after the Election to the person in the same County meant to be elected, and one person shall be chosen by the Judges and Clerks of the Said meant precinct, to convey said poll book.

returns of the entire County, to the Governor of Nebraska (the person conveying the same, to receive a reasonable Compensation therefor) and said Poll Book and Return shall be delivered to the Governor in person.

Given under my hand at Bellevue, Nebraska Territory, this 21st day of Nov. 1854.

(Signed) J B Cumming
Acting Gov of Nebraska.

By the Acting Governor of Nebraska,

Executive Department
Secretary of Nebraska
Nov 23rd 1854.

1. An Election will be held in ____ County, Nebraska, on said day the 12th day of December 1854 to elect ____ Councilmen and ____ Representatives of the Territory of Nebraska, from said County, also, Votes will be cast at the same time, & Election for delegate to Congress

2. Said ____ County is bounded as follows;

3. That shall be ____ precincts or places of voting in Said ____ County, viz at

4 ____ Shall be Judges of Election and Clerks of said Election.

5th The Election Shall be conducted according to printed Rules, hereunto furnished, and the Votes Shall be counted and returns certified on the same day before the adjournment of the Board of Judges & Clerks.

6th The returns and boundaries of Counties now designated are for the temporary purpose of this first Election, and are subject to alteration by the first Legislative Assembly,

7th Said Territorial Legislature will convene on the 8th day of January 1855 and the first act of Meeting, will be immediately to declare which Counties, at least two thirds before the 8th day of January aforesaid,

Sec. 4. If, in case the returns of the election for any Territory, shall show an increase of votes manifestly affecting the returns of the last census, the Secretary of said returns, shall be apt to the action of the Legislature.

Sec. [illegible] Every white citizen of the age of twenty one years, an actual resident of the territory and of said Territory, three months immediately, or more, preceding the said election, shall be entitled to become a citizen of the United States, under such rules as may be prescribed by the Legislature of said Territory, not inconsistent with the Constitution of the United States, and the provisions of this act, provided, however, that no person, during the pendency of a declaration, shall be entitled to vote, or hold any office under the Territorial Government, nor shall any person be entitled to vote, or hold any office in the Territory, who shall be convicted of treason, or felony, by any court of competent jurisdiction, unless restored to civil rights.

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A List of Election Returns for Counties of Columbia and the 13th Ward Queens County

[illegible]		[illegible]	
[illegible]		[illegible]	66.
[illegible]		[illegible]	30
[illegible]		[illegible]	2.
[illegible]		[illegible]	
[illegible]		[illegible]	39.
[illegible]		[illegible]	52.
[illegible]		[illegible]	38
[illegible]		[illegible]	30.
[illegible]		[illegible]	
[illegible]		[illegible]	52.
[illegible]		[illegible]	34.
[illegible]		[illegible]	18.
[illegible]		[illegible]	28.
[illegible]		[illegible]	3.
[illegible]		[illegible]	
[illegible]		[illegible]	
[illegible]		[illegible]	

Cass County.

Kanoska Precinct

Delegate to Congress.	
Napoleon B. Giddings	39.
Bird B. Chapman	12.
Hadley D. Johnson	3.
Joseph Dyson	3.
Councilmen.	
Abraham Towner	39.
La Fayette Ruckels	16.
Representatives.	
William Hemphill	53.
Joseph D. H Hemphill	55.
Thomas S. Gaskill	33.
John M Statham	22.

Martins Precinct

Delegate to Congress.	
Napoleon B Giddings	72
Hadley D Johnson	1
Joseph Dyson	1
Bird B Chapman	1
Councilmen.	
Abraham Towner	7.
La Fayette Ruckels	71.
Representatives.	
William Hemphill	23
J. D. H. Hemphill	57.
Thomas S. Gaskill	14.
John M Statham	68.

Richardson County.

Lewis Precinct

Delegate to Congress	
Napoleon B Giddings.	24.
Bird B Chapman	11.
Councilmen.	
Josiah F. Sharp	15.
Julius C Hedrick	17.
Lucas Shellhorn	11.
Representatives	
Aaron M Hedrick	33
John A. Singleton	33
John Pratt	32.

Bebel Precinct

Delegate to Congress	
Bird B Chapman	10
Councilmen.	
Joseph F. Sharp	10
Representatives	
Henry Shellhorn	10.
John A Singleton	10.

Island Grove

Richland Precinct

Delegate to Congress	
Bird B Chapman	12.
Hadley D Johnson	24.
Councilmen.	
Benjamin M. Hopkins	12.
B. G. Shelly	1.
Representatives	
Isaiah C Rusfell	32.
John B. Robertson	22.
Asa T. M Cumsey	1.
Ab. Magnus	1.

Richland Precinct

Delegate to Congress	
Hadley D Johnson	21.
Councilmen.	
B G Shelly	21
Representatives	
Jesse M Cummings	21
Joseph M Higgins	21

Pierce County

Tacoma City Precinct

Delegate to Congress
Legislature 43 Districts 113.
Clerk of Courts 114.
Sheriff & Deputy 3.

County

Commissioners
Nelson P Bennett 103.
Henry Brandt 11.
Charles H Cook 91
Thomas F Morris 91
Peter F Shoemaker 108
John McC Simmons 83
Chas H Tibbetts 81

Representatives
William G Hall 113
Chas H Lawrence 104
Edward H Sehon 93
Frederick Stanley 4
William H Tuttle 52
Frank P Cole 60
Peter C Crockett 60
John M Damon 39
Joseph Finch 42
Edward Hamilton 5
William C Hamilton 15
Robert J Hastie 10

Justice Court

Justices of the Peace
Delegate to Convention
Henry C Allen 13
Stephen L Coffin 11
Daniel G Cole 3
Thomas Cole 5
Thomas Cole 11
Thomas Cole 1
Thomas Cole 1
Thomas Cole 1

By the Acting Governor of Nebraska.

A Proclamation

Executive Department
Territory of Nebraska
December 15th 1854.

Whereas the Certified Poll Book and Returns of the Election held on Tuesday the 12th Inst in Pierce County, Show that there is still a Vacancy, in the Seat, in the Territorial Council from said County, there being a tie on the vote of two Candidates for the Same, and Whereas it is provided by law that in Such Cases, a new Election Shall be ordered,

Now Therefore, I Thomas B. Cumming Acting Governor of the Territory of Nebraska have ordered this my Proclamation ordering a new Election to be held, and by these presents do order Said Election to be held at the house of Mayo Harris in Nebraska City, on

Thursday June 21st

to elect one member of the Council from said Pierce County,

All Persons, Duly Qualified by Law to vote at Said Election, Shall be Entitled to vote at Said Election, and Said Election Shall be conducted according to Similar rules of the election held on the 12th Inst.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal of the Territory to be affixed at Nebraska City Nebraska Territory this 15th day of Dec A.D 1854

(Signed) T B Cumming
Acting Gov of Nebraska

By the Acting Governor of Nebraska.

A Proclamation.

Executive Department,
Nebraska Territory,
December 20th 1854.

Public notice is hereby given, that for the purpose of
administering justice in the Districts of Nebraska, Burt-
is, Forbes, Pierce of the first, Dixon, & Cumberland counties
Clerks of the Court, have been duly appointed for the
Several Counties, and that the Commissioners of said Coun-
ties to be appointed, according to the Statutes of said Ter-
ritory in the Clerk of [illegible]

[illegible]

by [illegible] that the Districts [illegible]
[illegible] Judges [illegible]
Territory of Nebraska in [illegible] Court at [illegible]
[illegible]
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Location of the Capitol.

By the Acting Governor of Nebraska.

A Proclamation.

Executive Department
Nebraska Territory
December 30th 1854.

Whereas, By the Act organizing the Territory of Nebraska, it is made the duty of the Governor of said Territory, to determine, and fix the time and fix the time and place where the first Session, of the Legislative Assembly shall be held.

Now therefore I Thomas B Cumming acting Governor of Nebraska Territory, have issued this Proclamation, Ordering said Legislative Assembly at

Omaha City. Nebraska Territory.

on Monday the Second day of January Next, The Members duly Elect, of the Council and House of Representatives of the Legislative Assembly of this Territory will meet in accordance with this proclamation at Said Omaha City, in the building designated for the purpose, on Monday Morning January 8th 1855 at 10 o'clock, and all Legislative proceedings in the Territory of Nebraska will be had at Said Omaha City, during the first Session of Said Territorial Assembly: it being strictly made public, that the time of Convening Said Legislature, is Changed from January the Eighth, as indicated in a former Notice to January the 8th aforesaid.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the Territory. Done at Omaha City, this 30th day of December in the Year of our Lord, one Thousand Eight hundred & fifty four, & of the Independence of the United States the Seventy Eighth & of this Territory the First.

(Signed) Thomas B Cumming
Acting Gov. of the Terr. of Nebraska

By the Acting Governor of Nebraska.

A Proclamation.

Executive Department
Nebraska Territory
December 23rd 1861

Whereas depredations have been committed within the limits of this Territory, upon many Emigrants & Freighters, & the Indians upon the Frontiers of Nebraska have manifested a hostile disposition & have threatened open hostilities, & whereas it is necessary for the protection of the Settlers, & the security of the Emigrants & Freighters, that a sufficient force should be immediately raised & organized to meet any emergency that may arise,

Now therefore, I, [illegible] Acting Governor of the Territory of Nebraska, have ordered & do hereby order that the Militia of the Territory be forthwith organized & that the Commander in Chief do immediately call into the service of the Territory Two Regiments of Volunteer Militia Cavalry, to be composed of Companies, each Company to consist of not more than one hundred men rank & file, to be mustered into the service of the Territory for the period of Six months, unless sooner discharged by the Governor, & to be armed & equipped at their own expense, & to be ready to march at a moments notice, & to be stationed at such points in the Territory as the Governor may direct.

Each Company organized shall elect one Captain, one first & one second Lieutenant, & one Orderly Sergeant, & each Regiment shall elect one Colonel, one Lieutenant Colonel, one Major, one Adjutant, one Quartermaster, one Commissary, one Surgeon & two assistant Surgeons, who shall be commissioned by the Governor.

Each Company shall be composed of not more than one hundred men rank & file, & not less than sixty men rank & file, & each Company shall elect one Captain, one first Lieutenant, one second Lieutenant, & one Orderly Sergeant, who shall be commissioned by the Governor.

Each Company, & each Regiment, shall be subject to the Rules & Articles of War, & shall be governed by the same, & shall be liable to be called into the service of the United States, in case of war with any foreign power.

Each Company shall be composed of able bodied men, between the ages of eighteen & forty five years, who shall furnish themselves with a good horse, & shall provide themselves with a Rifle, Sabre & Revolver, & shall furnish themselves with Blankets, & Overcoats & Waterproofs, & Camp Equipage, & shall provide themselves with Saddle & Bridle, & Saddle Bags, & Spurs, & Halter, & Picket Rope, & Lariat, & Curry Comb & Brush, & Horse Blanket, & Canteen, & Haversack, & Mess Pan, & Knife & Fork, & Tin Cup, & Spoon, & Tent Fly, & Camp Kettle, & Water Pail, & Axe, & Pick Axe, & Shovel, & Picket Pin, & Mallet, & Nose Bag, & Curb Bridle, & Lariat Rope, & Hobbles, & Lantern, & Tin Plate, & Tin Pail, & Coffee Pot, & Frying Pan, & Camp Chest, & Water Proof Bags, & Water Proof Blankets, & Water Proof Coats, & Water Proof Hats, & Water Proof Boots, & Water Proof Gloves, & Water Proof Leggings, & Water Proof Saddle Cover, & Water Proof Saddle Bags, & Water Proof Saddle Blanket, & Water Proof Saddle Pad, & Water Proof Saddle Girth, & Water Proof Saddle Strap, & Water Proof Saddle Buckle, & Water Proof Saddle Ring, & Water Proof Saddle Hook, & Water Proof Saddle Eye, & Water Proof Saddle Tree, & Water Proof Saddle Cantle, & Water Proof Saddle Pommel, & Water Proof Saddle Skirt, & Water Proof Saddle Flap, & Water Proof Saddle Seat, & Water Proof Saddle Stirrup, & Water Proof Saddle Leather, & Water Proof Saddle Thread, & Water Proof Saddle Needle, & Water Proof Saddle Awl, & Water Proof Saddle Punch, & Water Proof Saddle Hammer, & Water Proof Saddle Anvil, & Water Proof Saddle Forge, & Water Proof Saddle Bellows, & Water Proof Saddle Coal, & Water Proof Saddle Iron, & Water Proof Saddle Steel, & Water Proof Saddle Brass, & Water Proof Saddle Silver, & Water Proof Saddle Gold, & Water Proof Saddle Jewels, & Water Proof Saddle Ornaments, & Water Proof Saddle Trappings, & Water Proof Saddle Harness, & Water Proof Saddle Bridle, & Water Proof Saddle Reins, & Water Proof Saddle Martingale, & Water Proof Saddle Breast Plate, & Water Proof Saddle Crupper, & Water Proof Saddle Girth, & Water Proof Saddle Strap, & Water Proof Saddle Buckle, & Water Proof Saddle Ring, & Water Proof Saddle Hook, & Water Proof Saddle Eye, & Water Proof Saddle Tree, & Water Proof Saddle Cantle, & Water Proof Saddle Pommel, & Water Proof Saddle Skirt, & Water Proof Saddle Flap, & Water Proof Saddle Seat, & Water Proof Saddle Stirrup, & Water Proof Saddle Leather, & Water Proof Saddle Thread, & Water Proof Saddle Needle, & Water Proof Saddle Awl, & Water Proof Saddle Punch, & Water Proof Saddle Hammer, & Water Proof Saddle Anvil, & Water Proof Saddle Forge, & Water Proof Saddle Bellows, & Water Proof Saddle Coal, & Water Proof Saddle Iron, & Water Proof Saddle Steel, & Water Proof Saddle Brass, & Water Proof Saddle Silver, & Water Proof Saddle Gold, & Water Proof Saddle Jewels, & Water Proof Saddle Ornaments, & Water Proof Saddle Trappings, & Water Proof Saddle Harness, & Water Proof Saddle Bridle, & Water Proof Saddle Reins, & Water Proof Saddle Martingale, & Water Proof Saddle Breast Plate, & Water Proof Saddle Crupper,

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noble defence of those who come among us as emigrants or actual Settlers

In pursuance of this proclamation, I have this day appointed and Commissioned Regimental Officers; Viz. one Colonel, one Lieut Colonel one Major, & one adjutant per each Regiment

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the Territory Done at Omaha City this 23rd day of December in the Year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and fifty four, of the Independence the Seventy eighth, & of this Territory the first

(Signed) Thomas B. Cuming
Acting Gov. of Nebraska

Official Correspondence.

Executive Chamber
Debates Territory Omaha
City, January 1st 1855

Hon. D. Mann Jenny
Com. of Indian affairs

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Statutes of the 3rd Branch of the Legislature Regulating the Appointment of Justices of the Peace & the Justices Courts and many Citizens Contend that Elections provided for shall be Substituted for and by the Governor, Mayors State Treasurer, (Auditor & Clerk) Notaries Commissioners the Secretary Sheriffs Coroners and other Civil Officers

Elections Judges Should only be Appointed by the Selectmen within the Omaha & other Precincts, but the Laws Should be Subject to the Governor to make a Temporal Provision,

The 1st Section of the Nebraska Act is construed by some persons that all Indian territory Shall be Subject to the Territorial Legislature, except where defined those Treaties now in force, providing that the Indians within them Shall not be included without their Consent of Government that Sections may Act Literally, Such a

Department of the Interior
Office Indian Affairs
November 15th 1854

Sir!

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 1st instant, relative to the Establishment of Stockton Agencies of the Territory of Nebraska, in which you have stated the views which you entertain whether Agencies should be established for the Otoes, Omahas Pawnees Sioux Iowas Missouri Sauks Foxes Kickapoos Kansas Weas Piankeshaws Peorias Kaskaskias Ottawas Chippewas Miamies Eel River Miamies Wyandots Senecas Shawnees Delawares Kickapoos Potawatomies of Huron Potawatomies of Sandusky Potawatomies of Wisconsin Winnebagoes Menomonies Chippewas of Lake Superior Chippewas of the Mississippi Pillagers Lake Winnebagoes Chippewas of Red River Chippewas of Swan River Muscatine Creeks Seminoles Choctaws Chickasaws Cherokees Osages Quapaws Senecas Modocs Wyandots Ottawas Peorias Kaskaskias Piankeshaws Weas Miamies Eel River Miamies Delawares Shawnees

Secretary's Office
Omaha City N. T.
December 15th 1854.

Hon James Guthrie
Secrety of the Treasury

Sir!

The Enclosed Copies of Letters from a/c Sub Treasurer J H Sturgeon St Louis, Dated Sept 23rd 1854, and Dec 5th 1854 Show that the Sum of Five Thousand dollars, Was deposited by the late Governor Francis Burt, on behalf of the Contingent Expence of the Territory of Nebraska. It also appears from Said letters that, Since the death of Gov Burt, the Said $5000 Remains to your credit.

I am Since the receipt of your draft for that Amount on the a/c Sub Treasurer St Louis, with the Amount already drawn $1500 and $3.50, & Have Exhausted the appropriation of Twenty Thousand dollars, for the Mileage, Incidental & Contingent Expenses of the Territorial appropriation

Very Respectfully
Your ob Servt
(Signed) T B Cumming.

Office of the a/c Treasurer U.S.
St Louis Mo. Sept 23rd 1854

Hon Francis Burt,
Or Nebraska Ty

I have this day rec'd from you $5000,
and according to your request placed the Same to your Credit.
Subject to your drafts.

Very Respectfully, In Lieu of all drafts drawn or to be by you Stating the Same by the person in Whose favor drawn, the Number, date and Sum of each draft

Jno H Sturgeon a/c Treas
U. S. St Louis Mo

Hon T. B Cumming
Acting Gov Nebraska Ty

Office a/c Treas U.S St Louis
Mo Dec 5th 1854

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 2nd
November has received this Morning, the Checks drawn
Burt have been presented here for payment, & Several
Were Paid, The Money to his Credit in this office, has
been turned over to the Credit of the Treasurer U.S. by order
Secretary of the Treasury. We have been advised
that drafts in your favor

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Company

[illegible]

Richardson County

Christian Beck
Orlin M. Fickel
Robert E. Price
Robert Stevens
Neil A. Humphrey
S. H. Rhea

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] County

Albert G. Bennett
John Bridgewater
Thomas M. Channon
Henry M. Clarke
Stephen H. Downs

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Pierce County

Willis W. Brown
Wm. H. Buell
Thomas Carnahan
Henry Lemmon
Kennett M^c Lemore
John B. Buchanan (Major)

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Cass County.

Abraham Towner	Judge of Probate.
William Davis	Clerk
Benjamin Thompson	Sheriff.
Levi L. Todd	Justice of the Peace.
Martin Kiplinger	Constable,
W. McMichael	Major 2nd Regt. Nebraska Volunteers.

Washington County.

Thomas J. Allen	Sheriff.
George W. Ritchie	Clerk
Stephen Cass	Judge of Probate,

Burt County.

John Green	Judge of Probate
E. P. Stone	Clerk
Timothy E. Hall	Sheriff,

Dodge County.

Chauncey Sisson	
Wm. Kline	

Thomas B. Cumming, Acting Governor of Nebraska
To all whom it may Concern; Whereas it Satisfactorily
Appeared the Largest Number of Votes at the Election held on the Second
Monday in the 12th day of December A.D. 1854 for Delegate to Congress was given by
declared duly Elected Delegate from Nebraska Territory to the Congress of the U-
States for the term Ending March 4th 1855 / Now Know ye that I the Governor of
said Election. In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
Caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the Territory, Done at Omaha City
the 15th day of December, in the Year of our Lord, 1854 of the Independence
of the U. S. the 78th & of this Territory the first.

T. B. Cumming
Governor of Nebraska

Second Semi-Annual Report

Inauguration of the first Biennial Legislature, Assembly of Nebraska.

Pursuant to proclamation, the Council & House of Representatives of the Second Territory, convened at Omaha City, on the 16th day of January 1855, at 10 o'clock A. M. A Majority of the Council were present & the following named Members of the House of

Council.

Joseph R. Sharp	Fourth District
Richard Brown	Third District
Hiram P. Bennett	Fifth District
Mark Izard	Sixth
Chas. H. Lowe	Seventh
Samuel Black	First District
A. D. Jones	Second
J. J. Lindsay	Third
C. B. Richardson	Fourth
S. C. Pomeroy	Fifth
Thos. B. Stockton	Sixth
Benj. R. Woolworth	Seventh
Wm. H. Clark	Eighth

House of Representatives

Daniel H. Johnston	Fourth District
Thos. B. Cuming	Second
Wm. A. Richardson	Third
E. H. Rogers	Fifth
Andrew Sharpnack	Sixth
Thomas Morton	Seventh
Wm. P. Kennedy	Eighth
Wm. D. Brown	Ninth
Thos. H. Benton	Tenth
Andrew J. Hollingshead	Eleventh
Richard R. Jones	Twelfth
Wm. H. Wallace	Thirteenth
Jas. M. Woolworth	Fourteenth
Wm. H. Wallace	Fifteenth
Wm. Kennedy	Sixteenth
Wm. Clancy	Seventeenth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Eighteenth
Wm. Kennedy	Nineteenth
Wm. Clancy	Twentieth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Twenty-first
Wm. Kennedy	Twenty-second
Wm. Clancy	Twenty-third
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Twenty-fourth
Wm. Kennedy	Twenty-fifth
Wm. Clancy	Twenty-sixth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Twenty-seventh
Wm. Kennedy	Twenty-eighth
Wm. Clancy	Twenty-ninth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Thirtieth
Wm. Kennedy	Thirty-first
Wm. Clancy	Thirty-second
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Thirty-third
Wm. Kennedy	Thirty-fourth
Wm. Clancy	Thirty-fifth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Thirty-sixth
Wm. Kennedy	Thirty-seventh
Wm. Clancy	Thirty-eighth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Thirty-ninth
Wm. Kennedy	Fortieth
Wm. Clancy	Forty-first
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Forty-second
Wm. Kennedy	Forty-third
Wm. Clancy	Forty-fourth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Forty-fifth
Wm. Kennedy	Forty-sixth
Wm. Clancy	Forty-seventh
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Forty-eighth
Wm. Kennedy	Forty-ninth
Wm. Clancy	Fiftieth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Fifty-first
Wm. Kennedy	Fifty-second
Wm. Clancy	Fifty-third
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Fifty-fourth
Wm. Kennedy	Fifty-fifth
Wm. Clancy	Fifty-sixth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Fifty-seventh
Wm. Kennedy	Fifty-eighth
Wm. Clancy	Fifty-ninth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Sixtieth
Wm. Kennedy	Sixty-first
Wm. Clancy	Sixty-second
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Sixty-third
Wm. Kennedy	Sixty-fourth
Wm. Clancy	Sixty-fifth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Sixty-sixth
Wm. Kennedy	Sixty-seventh
Wm. Clancy	Sixty-eighth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Sixty-ninth
Wm. Kennedy	Seventieth
Wm. Clancy	Seventy-first
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Seventy-second
Wm. Kennedy	Seventy-third
Wm. Clancy	Seventy-fourth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Seventy-fifth
Wm. Kennedy	Seventy-sixth
Wm. Clancy	Seventy-seventh
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Seventy-eighth
Wm. Kennedy	Seventy-ninth
Wm. Clancy	Eightieth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Eighty-first
Wm. Kennedy	Eighty-second
Wm. Clancy	Eighty-third
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Eighty-fourth
Wm. Kennedy	Eighty-fifth
Wm. Clancy	Eighty-sixth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Eighty-seventh
Wm. Kennedy	Eighty-eighth
Wm. Clancy	Eighty-ninth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Ninetieth
Wm. Kennedy	Ninety-first
Wm. Clancy	Ninety-second
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Ninety-third
Wm. Kennedy	Ninety-fourth
Wm. Clancy	Ninety-fifth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Ninety-sixth
Wm. Kennedy	Ninety-seventh
Wm. Clancy	Ninety-eighth
Wm. Fitzpatrick	Ninety-ninth
Wm. Kennedy	One hundredth

Thomas Davis,	Douglas County
A. J Popplelon,	Do Do
A. J Hanscom,	Do Do
R. B. Whilled,	Do Do
H Davidson	Do Do
A. Armed	Washington Co
A. J Smith	do Do
J. B. Robertson	Burt Co.
H. L Purfill	Do Do
J. H Richardson	Dodge Co
E N Boyle	Do Do

At 3 o'clock P M of the same day a message of the Citizens having been agreed by Committee from the two houses, in joint Convention, the Governor appeared in the Hall of the House of Representatives, and pronounced the following message.

Gentlemen of the Council and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Nebraska.

It is doubtless expected by you that, in compliance with custom, I should make an Executive message. You are entitled to your consideration, at the opening of this the first session of your General Assembly.

Having embarked the hopes, up to the arrival of the last Mail, that the success of the late Summer Visit would be such as to secure the passing and immediate Admission of Nebraska, I shall limit myself on this occasion, and first communication, to a few recommendations of a general nature, immediately suggested by the duties of your Legislative office, and the unfortunate circumstances under which you have assembled

the attendance of our Delegate, after so memorable a struggle, has added, as it were, a new leaf to the Chapter of peculiar rights, and a new epoch for reflection, that you have so promptly completed, upon it. During the same Congressional term in which your Territory has been added to the Republic, the record of your County Commissions organization

You have thus given an assurance of your faithful and zealous discharge of the responsible duties devolved upon you, by the organization of [illegible] the Territorial Government, the latest official act

continuous line from the Commercial Metropolis of the East, by rail road and the great Lakes, through the most productive Mountain passes, to the Metropolis of the West; that it is filled by nature, for an Easy grade; and that it is contained Convenient to the Great Majority of Quiet Growing States, and of the Northern States portion of the Same, lying Situated in Latitude 41, Degrees North, While the majority of the Southern Cenity are Situated the 35th & 36th Degrees of North Latitude. It Seems to me that it Will be the choice of the friends of this great Enterprise - the of the most prominent and important of all the Measures of National Improvement, upon this Continent, now under the Consideration of the People of the United States - I feel confident that in the Selection of routes, and the Establish a permanent Policy - the details of Which may be Successfully prosecuted in the Ensuing Spring; and I Sincerely hope and believe that Upon Capitalists Assembled in Congress may have the Legislative Wright, in the decision of the question of Such Momentous interest,

In this Section of the Country Which Should be Selected Surrounded, I Would respectfully Suggest that Such a Mode of Mail Service as, if not absolutely safe for a Sufficiency Certain, Quick Would Greatly Reduce the Present Enormous Rates of Postage - Speedy Intelligence, for Commercial and Social Purposes is Essential to the Prosperity, the Happiness and Safety of Every Community, the Individual of Families, Cities, States and Nations, the Rapid Transmission of Intelligence, Political, Commercial, Social, Literary, Religious and Scientific, the Interchange of Sentiments and Opinions between Friends and Relatives, Citizens of the American Continent, Europe and Asia, and the Nations and Peoples of the Pacific.

Mail Stages of Such Capacity, Construction & in all respects as Shall be approved at Present Rates of Postage, or more Cheaply Shall be Stationed at Stockades Forts, to be Erected Hereafter, as at such Distances as shall be designated by the Executive of the United States, or a Post Road, between the Mississippi River and the Pacific; that Express Mails Shall be Caused by said Stages to Travel Each Way, and Meeting Daily Between the Stockades, and, affording Complete Safeguard and protection of the Line of Electric Telegraph Constructed by Private Enterprise.

By Such an Arrangement, in Which Every Detail is Subject to free Public Competition, a Line of Telegraph may be opened within one Year, to the Rocky Mountains, and a Largely increased Mail Transported in half the time

And whereas to this most important duty, the General Assembly will doubtless be greatly advanced by the more practical recommendations, in the departments of Commerce, Agriculture, and Manufactures. By the passage of general incorporations laws, for many of the former branches of industry, and by liberty and specific provisions may materially augment and quicken the spirit of the nation in a country of such vast and undeveloped agricultural, wealth, and of many things, but so specially important, the industry should be greatly promoted and encouraged by premiums increased, by premiums withheld by the present growth should have been withdrawn and premiums granted to the necessary but more dispersed and by premiums granted to the necessary but more dispersed and by premiums granted to the necessary but more dispersed and by

that your deliberations, by the blessings of Divine Providence, may be conducted with Efficiency and Unanimity, and that the most ardent hopes of each one of you have contemplated the hardships and trials of Pioneer life, may be realized in the formation of the lasting Good of this Territory formidable Young Territory.

(Signed) J. B. Chaning,
Acting Governor of Nebraska.

Oath of Estabrook

United States of America
Territory of Nebraska } ss.

I Experience Estabrook do solemnly swear that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Attorney of the United States, in and for the Territory of Nebraska, according to the best of my ability.

Experience Estabrook

Office of the Secretary
Territory of Nebraska } ss.

I certify that on the 29th day of January A.D. 1855, the above named Experience Estabrook, appeared before me & took & subscribed the foregoing oath of Office in said Territory and that said oath is filed, duly filed and recorded in this office.

Witness my hand

J. B. Chaning
Secretary of Nebraska Ter.

Experience Estabrook. Attorney for the United States, appointed in the Territory January 24th 1855, and Not qualified January 29th 1855

Senator Mark H. Hanna arrived in the Senate February 20th 1897 and resigned Dec 23rd 1904.

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our Country, will be obvious to you, without the enumeration of additional arguments. To accomplish this in the ordinary course of legislation, would require more time than is allowed by the organic Law for the annual Legislative Assembly, to remain in Session, and as Similar Acts have always existed in Russia, and as Similar Acts have always existed in most Nations of such people, it is deemed best to Codify a System of Law, for the government of the Country and refer the same to the Legislative Assembly for its ratification at the next regular Session thereof. I would recommend for the time being, the adoption of Some one of the Codes of the several States. Which, the Code of Penal Laws of the State of Louisiana, is the Code of Penal Laws of the State of Louisiana, is the best adapted to our Situation, and will require the least alteration to render it perfect, and the Code of Practice of the State of Louisiana, is the best adapted to our Situation, and will require the least alteration to render it perfect, and the Civil Code of the State of Louisiana, is the best adapted to our Situation, and will require the least alteration to render it perfect, and the Commercial Code of the State of Louisiana, is the best adapted to our Situation, and will require the least alteration to render it perfect, and the Criminal Code of the State of Louisiana, is the best adapted to our Situation, and will require the least alteration to render it perfect, and the Civil

To His Excellency

The Governor of the Territory of Colorado.

The

undersigned citizens of Denver respectfully represent to your Excellency that an appropriation of the Legislature of said Territory for the purpose of erecting a Capitol building in Denver City, as Governor and Legislature of the Territory, will be required by the people of said Territory.

Your petitioners, therefore pray

Denver City
March 17th 1868.

Executive Office, March
Wednesday 3rd May 1865

Be Knowing, by these Presents, to All that Cephas Carpenter, late
of Dodge County, Wisconsin Territory, employed to serve Writs
by the Probate Sections. To order that the said may be known,
that the Peace of our Citizens, & Mark of Respect, due
unto the Majesty of Authority, we have ordered, and hereby
direct Process, that if the Person, and the Property, of
Person, or Persons, shall be such, as to require Aid, and Assistance,
in Executing the Duties of his Office, then, and in such Case,
he is hereby empowered to command all such Person, or Persons,
to Assist, such Officer, in the Execution of his said Office, and
every Person, so Commanded, who shall refuse, or neglect to
Assist, such Officer, in the Execution of his said Office, as aforesaid,
is hereby required, to be then, and there, Committed to the
Common Jail of the County, by the said Officer, there to remain,
until Discharged, by due Course of Law.

Witness, Hon. Edward Ryan
Chief Justice
of Wisconsin Territory
at Madison, this 3rd
day of May
in the Year of our Lord
One Thousand Eight Hundred
and Sixty five

Attest, Edward Ryan
Chief Justice
of Wisconsin Territory

Filed in Executive Office
May 3rd 1865

Territory of Wisconsin, ss.

I, Edward Ryan, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of said Territory, do hereby certify that Cephas Carpenter, whose name is subscribed to the annexed Writ, was, at the time of signing the same, and now is, duly appointed, and qualified, a Deputy Sheriff, in and for the County of Dodge, in said Territory, and that full faith and credit are due to his official acts as such.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the Seal of said Supreme Court, at Madison, this 3rd day of May A.D. 1865.

(Signed) Edward Ryan
Chief Justice
of Wisconsin Territory.

Territory of Wisconsin, ss.

I, Edward Ryan, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of said Territory, do hereby certify that on the 3rd day of May A.D. 1865 before me personally came the above named Cephas Carpenter, to me known to be the person described in, and who executed the foregoing writ, and acknowledged the same.

(Signed) Edward Ryan
Chief Justice
of Wisconsin Territory.

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I am [illegible] friendly to the Indians, yet they will not stop for the Indians to take their property, or injure them in any way, and that the Indians will be held to a strict account, and punished for any injuries they may inflict upon the whites. We cannot form a party of white men from the whole State, that is armed or attack an Indian Camp unless we do, the same time obtain ofs, and the Camps informed that they must station Scouts from them.

We respectfully

We are directed to obtain any desirable information in regard to the Indians, but are expected to keep it from public use.

Respectfully Submitted
Your Obedient
& Humble Servants

List of Commissions issued by Acting Governor Gil Cunning for 1858.

Richardson County.

1858
January — Isaac N Cline Surgeon 2nd Regt 1st Nebraska Infantry
Chas. M Johnson Colonel " " "

Nemaha County.

1858
July 7 — Stephen H Sloan — Brigadier
Asa Hitchcock — Judge of the Prob
William Brown — Quartermaster 2nd Regt 1st Brigade

Pierce County.

1858
June 30 — Hyram P Brown Surgeon 1st Regt 1st Brigade 1st Div
Sidney Strunk Commissary 2 Regt 1st Brig
William McDaniel Adjutant " " " "

Cass County.

1858
May 20 — William Hamilton asst Surgeon 2 Regt 1st Brig
" " Adjutant 1st Brigade " "

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1855

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